

## Miller Canfield Lawyer Beverly Hall Burns Appointed by Governor to Michigan's Early Childhood Investment Corporation

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Beverly Hall Burns, a principal in the Detroit office of the law firm of Miller Canfield, was appointed to a four-year term by Michigan Governor Rick Snyder to the Early Childhood Investment Corporation (ECIC).

The ECIC is Michigan's center for information and investment in early childhood to ensure Michigan's children are safe, healthy and eager to learn when they enter the school system. Along with Burns, Beverly Hammerstrom, of Temperance, and Jeanne Englehart, of Grand Rapids, were appointed.

"Michigan's children deserve the highest quality education and the opportunity for continuous growth," Snyder said. "I am confident these individuals will ensure that our children are given the chance for success at an early stage in their life."

Burns has more than 30 years' experience representing and advocating for employers, whether at the negotiating table, in hearings, in board rooms or community gatherings. She has negotiated labor agreements with unions ranging from the Steelworkers to the American Federation of Teachers and from the Teamsters to the Service Employees International Union. For school district clients, she has acquired a niche specialty in special education and has represented schools from the Individual Educational Program meetings to litigation in federal court. She is recognized in The Best Lawyers in America and Michigan Super Lawyers for her work as a labor and employment attorney.

Burns is chair of the Michigan Humane Society and a member of the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce. She also is a member of the American Bar Association, State Bar of Michigan, Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association, Michigan Council of School Attorneys Board of Directors, Michigan State Bar Foundation and the Commercial Real Estate Women Professional Advisory Board.

She received her J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School, and a B.A., with honors, from Michigan State University.